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STEPS FOR ADMISSION

You can begin the application process as early as your Junior year in high school and we encourage the earlier the better! These steps will provide all the information you need to know about our application requirements and our admissions process.

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1. Confirm Eligibility.

Eligibility

You are eligible to apply for the United States Naval Academy if you meet the following criteria:

- A United States Citizen
- At least 17 years of age and must not have passed 23rd birthday on July 1st of year of entry
- Unmarried
- Not pregnant and no dependents
- Have a valid Social Security Number (If you do not have a Social Security number you can apply for a card here <https://www.ssa.gov> (<https://www.ssa.gov/>))

If you are in high school but are not old enough to apply, you can register with USNA to receive information about our [Summer Programs \(.../Programs/index.php\)](https://www.usna.edu/Programs/index.php).

2. Preliminary Application

Preliminary Application

You must submit a preliminary application to become an official candidate for next year's class.

You can submit a preliminary application if you...

- a. will be a senior in high school next year
- b. are currently in your senior year of high school
- c. are a current college student looking to transfer

Upon completion of your preliminary application, Admissions will review it to determine your competitiveness for receiving a candidate number. Receipt of a candidate number will then indicate your designation as an Official Candidate for admission. Within your candidate letter, there will be important instructions on how to proceed with completing your official application.

You will need the following information to complete the preliminary application:

1. Social Security Number
2. High School Educational Testing Service (ETS) Code
3. High School Class Rank
4. Congressional State and District
5. Full Zip Code
6. SAT, ACT or PSAT scores

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If you have applied for our Summer Seminar program you do not need to submit a preliminary application, as they are the same application.

3. Apply for Nomination

Apply for Nomination

You must obtain a nomination from an official source, which normally includes U.S. Representatives or U.S. Senators representing your Congressional district or State, respectively, and the Vice President of the United States. Applying for a nomination is similar to applying for a school. Being personally acquainted with the nominator is not required. We encourage you to apply to all available sources.

It is recommended that you submit your letter of application for nominations immediately after you complete your preliminary application. Do not wait until you receive a nomination to begin your formal USNA application. Many nomination notifications do not go out until early to mid-January and the deadline for the USNA application is January 31. Your nominator will notify us of your nomination. You do not need to notify the Academy.

Nomination Process and Reference Information:

Find Your Senators & Congressman:

- [U.S. Senators \(http://www.senate.gov/\)](http://www.senate.gov/)
- [U.S. Congressman \(https://ziplook.house.gov/htbin/findrep_house?ZIP=\)](https://ziplook.house.gov/htbin/findrep_house?ZIP=)

Nomination Applications:

- [Presidential Nomination \(./ files/documents/preslett.pdf\) \(Presidential-Nomination.php\)](#)
- [ROTC/JROTC Unit Nomination \(./ files/documents/ROTC-NOM-FORM-2016.pdf\) \(NROTC-Units.php\)](#)

(Contact your Senators and Congressman for their respective applications.)

Nomination Sources:

- [U.S. Senators, Representatives, and Delegates The President of the U.S. \(US-Senators-Representatives-and-Delegates.php\)](#)
- [The Vice President of the U.S. \(Vice-President-of-the-US.php\)](#)
- [Navy and Marine Corps \(Active and Reserve\) \(Navy-and-Marine-Corps.php\)](#)

- [Reserve Officers Training Corps Units \(NROTC-Units.php\)](#)
 - [Children of deceased or disabled veterans and children of prisoners of war or servicemen missing in action \(Children-of-POW-MIA-Deceased-Disabled-Vets.php\)](#)
 - [Children of Medal of Honor Awardees \(Children-of-Medal-of-Honor-Awardees.php\)](#)
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4. College Entrance Exams

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College Entrance Exams

The Naval Academy requires candidates to take the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT) prior to admission. We evaluate candidates based on the highest score in each individual category if you elect to take these tests multiple times.

Note: You may use your PSAT scores for the preliminary qualification; however, these will not be used as final admissions criteria.

Test scores should be forwarded to the Naval Academy using the appropriate College Code Numbers:

- SAT Code – 5809
- ACT Code – 1742

Check with your school counselor or visit the [SAT \(http://www.collegeboard.org/\)](http://www.collegeboard.org/) and [ACT \(http://www.act.org/\)](http://www.act.org/) website for test dates and registration requirements. We will accept any ACT or SAT test that is taken before January 31, even if the results arrive after. We do not accept test scores from a test taken with accommodations.

Fee waiver information for [SAT \(https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers\)](https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers) and [ACT \(http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html\)](http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html).

5. Transcript

Transcript

In addition to completing your Candidate Academic Information, your high school counselor should mail an official transcript to USNA.

Transcripts should include your candidate number and be mailed to the following address:

Office of Admissions 52 King George Street Annapolis, MD 21402.

6. Medical Examination

Medical Examination

The Naval Academy program is physically challenging and we require all candidates to undergo a thorough medical examination.

The Admissions Department will submit your name to the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DoDMERB) who will contact about scheduling your medical examination. DoDMERB will carefully review your medical exam to determine if you meet the medical standards for admission. Approximately one month after your physical exam is completed, you will receive (by mail) a status report of the DoDMERB findings. DoDMERB may request that you provide additional information/records regarding illnesses, injuries, surgery, familial diseases, and other factors that could affect your medical status. You may also be asked to schedule follow-up appointments to determine your current medical status. You may check on the status of your medical exam by referring to the DoDMERB website (<https://dodmerb.tricare.osd.mil/>). • • •
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If you have a disqualifying condition, you will be automatically considered for a waiver if/when you receive a Conditional Offer of Appointment. You do not need to request a waiver, nor should you send additional medical information to the Naval Academy for review. A waiver of the medical standard may be granted if both your academic record and medical history suggest the risk introduced by the disqualifying condition is justified by your potential for success as a midshipman and as a naval officer. Many candidates will be required to provide additional information to DoDMERB after their first disqualifying medical condition has been waived. This additional information may result in other disqualifying conditions - which will also be considered for waiver. Major medical considerations are summarized in Appendix A: Medical Considerations Document ([../files/documents/MedicalAppendix1.pdf](#)). This is not meant to be a comprehensive listing of all disqualifying conditions; it is a brief and general summary for your convenience.

7. Candidate Fitness Assessment

Candidate Fitness Assessment

The Candidate Fitness Assessment is used to evaluate coordination, strength, speed, agility, and endurance. If you are accustomed to regular physical activity, you should have no difficulty with the assessment. Maintaining a high level of physical fitness during high school is strongly encouraged to prepare you to meet the physical demands of Plebe Summer and life as a midshipman.

The test consists of a one-mile run, a 'shuttle' run, a kneeling basketball throw, abdominal crunches, push-ups, and pull-ups or a flexed-arm hang for women (when pull-ups cannot be accomplished) and can be administered by a physical education teacher, a team coach, a current JROTC instructor, a commissioned officer, or a Blue and Gold officer (BGO).

- [Candidate Fitness Assessment Instructions \(../Candidate-Fitness-Assessment.php\)](#)
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8. Interview

Interview

An official interview with a Blue and Gold Officer is the final step in completing your application.

Blue and Gold Officers are volunteers comprised of Naval Academy graduates, parents of midshipmen or graduates, and civilians. Located in every state, they are qualified to guide and support you towards your final decision and through your midshipmen experience.

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All candidates should contact their Blue and Gold Officer immediately upon receipt of their official candidate letter. The contact information for your BGO is located on the Candidate Information Page. The preferred communication method for most Blue and Gold Officers is email. Ensure the email address provided in your application is valid and checked regularly. If you do not know who your assigned Blue and Gold Officer is, you may contact the [Area Coordinator \(/BGO.php\)](#) to find out.

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Frequently Asked Questions

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Nomination Sources

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Class Portrait

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9TH GRADERS ADVICE

Although it's too early to apply for the Naval Academy it's not too early to get a head start on preparing yourself to be an outstanding candidate. Focus on getting good grades in challenging courses and honing your skills in athletics and leadership roles. We also invite you to apply to our Summer STEM program. It's a wonderful opportunity to experience "The Yard" and our world-class facilities.

About STEM

(../Programs/STEM.php)

10TH GRADERS ADVICE

You are one year away from being eligible to apply to the Naval Academy. Continue focusing on your academics, extracurricular activities, and physical fitness, take the PSAT and apply for our Summer STEM program. We highly recommend that you take Honors, Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses.

(<https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Apply/General-Advice-for-Grades-9-12.php#eleventh>)

Application Timeline

timeline.

This is the year you officially begin to navigate your future. Track your progress with the USNA application

11TH GRADERS ADVICE

(<https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Apply/General-Advice-for-Grades-9-12.php#tenth>)

Academic Suggestions

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12TH GRADERS ADVICE

The time is now! If you have not completed a preliminary application please do so immediately. If you meet the qualifications, you will be notified of your status and given instructions on how to complete the final application steps. Pay close attention to deadlines and take this time to learn more about the Naval Academy. If this is the place for you, it's time to begin preparing yourself for Plebe Summer!

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TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID

All students who attend the Naval Academy do so on a full scholarship.

The Navy pays 100% of the tuition, room and board, medical and dental care costs of Naval Academy midshipmen.

In addition, all midshipmen receive the following:

1. \$1,087.80 per month, which covers the cost of laundry, barber, cobbler, activity fees, yearbook and other services.
2. \$100 in cash per month. This increases each year.
3. A guaranteed job upon graduation.

All of these benefits are included in your experience in return for 5 years of active duty service upon graduation.

The Midshipmen Stipend Budget Book (./files/documents/MIDSHIPMEN
STIPEND AND ANNUAL BUDGET BOOK 2018-2019 - SIGNED.pdf) will give
you an approximation of what sorts of expenses to expect each month.

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